

A statewide committee appointed by the Director of the Department of Health and Welfare "to provide counsel to the Department in administering the EMS Act"

Meeting Dates

EMSAC, Sept 22, 2005

Ameritel Inn-Boise Spectrum, 7499 Overland Rd., Boise, ID

EMSAC, Dec 8, 2005

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Idaho EMS Educational Institutions form Idaho Consortium for EMS Education (ICEE)

Idaho Consortium for EMS Education (ICEE) chair, Jeff Bates, gave an overview of this newly formed group of representatives from Idaho EMS educational institutions. The group has been tasked to investigate and make recommendations on several top priority topics that will impact EMS providers and educators in the state of Idaho.

One issue, the upcoming significant changes to National Registry testing availability and process, has led an evaluation of those proposed changes, as well as exploring alter-

nate test options for the minimum competency entry exam for the state of Idaho.

The group will also be exploring development of new standards for Idaho EMS instructor. They will continue to meet monthly until these high priority issues have been resolved.

A list of ICEE members and the group charter further defines the members and goals of this group. Please contact Christian Gelok at the EMS Bureau with any further questions regarding the ICEE.

ICEE Charter defines ICEE course

IDAHO EMS EDUCATION CONSORTIUM IMPLEMENTATION

PROBLEM/ OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT:

The Idaho EMS Bureau, acting in concert with the national *Emergency Medical Services Education Agenda for the Future: A Systems Approach* (Agenda), is currently pursuing a dramatic change that will provide access to the primary decision making responsibilities for professional EMS educators. Recognizing that the appropriate experts are the proprietary schools and EMS

educational programs at institutions of higher education, the EMS Bureau seeks to engage the community of educational institutions statewide in order to solicit their expertise. Opportunities exist for this "Education Consortium" to take a leading role in proposals which affect the current system as well as helping the EMS Bureau drive the education system into the future. Anticipated improvements may include but are not limited to instructor eligibility standards development / contemporary educational standards leading to proposed rules, instructor resources, peer review, level based instruc-

tor requirements, instructor preparation and continuing education, program accreditation (state specific as well as incorporation of CoAEMSP).

CONSORTIUM CONCEPT OVERVIEW:

A body of professional EMS educational institutions, acting as a consortium, is critical to the continued success of the Idaho

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ICEE Charter

EMS education system. Considering the relative complexity of current professional and technical training programs, it is unreasonable for the EMS Bureau and state EMS advisory committee to serve as the sole decision maker for EMS education issues without a mechanism for input from the community of professional EMS educators in Idaho.

Cooperation and communication amongst educational institutions is critical to the success of Idaho's EMS education system. One purpose of the Idaho Consortium for EMS Education (ICEE) is to pull together EMS educational institutions from across the state with the goal of sharing knowledge. The strong sense of cooperation and collaboration is key to achievement of the EMS Bureau's Goal 3, *Promote cooperation and collaboration among agencies to optimize the outcome of patients in the EMS system.*

The consortium will provide leadership and vision concerning the EMS education programs within the state of Idaho. The consortium, through collaborative development of proposed standards, sharing of model approaches, and resource identification, will directly enable the EMS Bureau to achieve the EMS Bureau's Goal 5, *Assure competency of Idaho EMS Providers through the regulation of education, certification, and licensure.*

The entire Idaho EMS system (consortium members, providers, the EMS Bureau, et al.) has an opportunity to enjoy a collaborative relationship wherein all members of the system as well as the population at large enjoy mutual gain.

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Idaho Consortium for EMS Education (ICEE) provides a forum where EMS educational institutions serving Idaho can participate in collaborative advancement of the EMS education system within the state of Idaho.

VISION STATEMENT:

The achievement of an exemplary and innovative educational environment that leads and maintains clinically competent and professional EMS providers in Idaho.

Meeting Occurrence:

Meetings Monthly to deal with high priority issues (testing standards respective to the January 1, 2007 with NREMT written testing process proposal)

At least quarterly "Face to Face" with additional teleconferences and list serve use. (before EMSAC in effort to affect associated agenda and assure appropriate coordination)

Governance: Self governance through two co-chairs where decisions are made by simple consensus with voice of attending members. Appointed: Jeff Bates: Chair
Gordy Kokx: Co-Chair

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EMS Bureau Commitment and Support: Idaho EMS Bureau is committed to continued financial support during fiscal year 2006, in the form of travel reimbursement for associated meetings, associated lodging, and up to 14 associated meetings

including administrative resources as required for the further development of the Idaho Education Consortium.

Membership:

In order to vote, the active member must be the program director or associated designee of an Idaho University, college, or properly registered proprietary school. Program directors who register their school for proprietary designation will be automatically included as a member of the Idaho Consortium for EMS Education (ICEE). Additionally, the member must be present at 2 out of 4 most recent ICEE meetings prior to voting, or provide absentee ballot, or be present electronically, and vote. Votes cannot be deferred to another member but can be deferred to a delegate representing that institution.

Staff changes at EMS Bureau

Arrive Scene

-Brad Michaelson
-Shana Munroe

Region 3/4 Regional Consultant
Moved from State Comm Manager to EMS-C Program Specialist

Depart Scene

-Lisa Davidson
-Doug Carrell

Region 6/7 Administrative Assistant
Regional Operations Program Coordinator



Education Consortium announces membership

Institution	Primary Representative
Boise State University	Larry Becker Boise
BYU	John Lewis, Director Paramedic Program Rexburg
College of Southern Idaho	Dennis Patterson, EMT Program Twin Falls
College of Southern Idaho	Gordon Kokx, Paramedic Program Director Twin Falls
CPR Connection	Kim Hanneman Boise
Idaho Standard School of Medicine	Kevin Black Nampa
Idaho State University	Jeff Bates Boise
Idaho State University/Special Programs	Margaret A. Phelps, Director Pocatello
Lewis Clark State College	Linda Stricklin, RN, Allied Health Coordinator Workforce Training Lewiston
ProSafe	Kate Baldwin Meridian
Stevens-Henager College (Pending)	Christine Hendricksen Boise
Tier One EMT	Tom Bausman, Owner Twin Falls

National Scope of Practice Model includes Emergency Medical Technician Advanced

The National Scope of Practice Model draft #2 was reviewed in June at a meeting in Washington D.C. The resulting 3rd draft has been released to project participants and is scheduled to be delivered to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) before the end of September. Following delivery to NHTSA, it will be available for review at:

www.emsscopeofpractice.org.

A major change from draft 2 is the inclusion of an EMS level between that of the proposed Emergency Medical Technician and the Paramedic, the Emergency Medical Technician Advanced, similar in some aspects to the Advanced EMT already in place in Idaho.

The National Scope of Practice Model final product will now move to the education step for curricula development.

Dedicated Grant recipients awarded vehicles and equipment

The EMS Dedicated Grant program has been operating for five years, providing funds for EMS vehicles and patient care equipment. Funds are collected from the purchase of drivers' license and renewal fees. Of the 194 licensed Idaho EMS agencies, approximately 180 are eligible to apply. Qualifying applicants must be a governmental or registered non-profit organization.

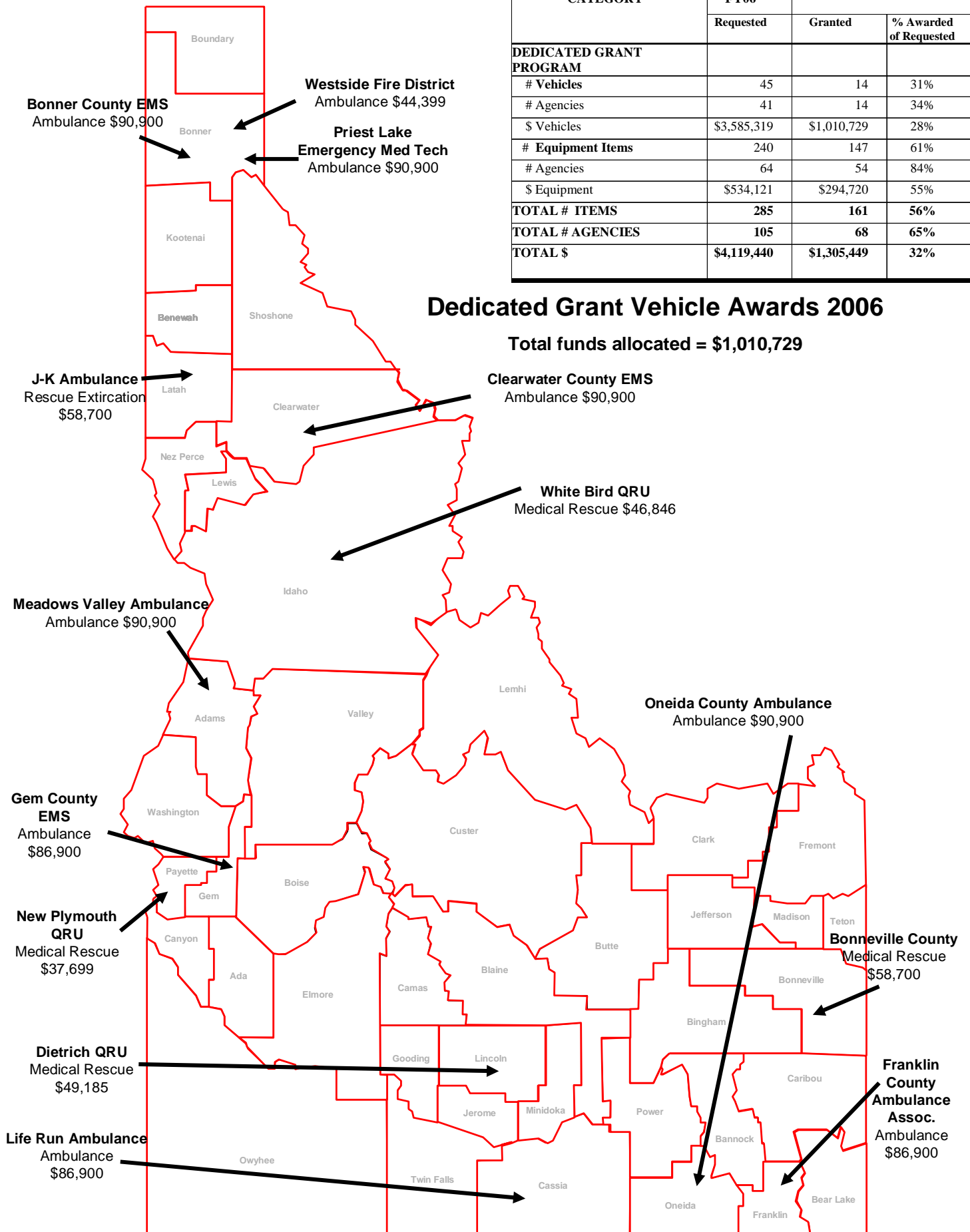
Transport ambulances, non-transport quick response, search and rescue, and extrication vehicles have been funded through this program. Patient care equipment includes items that

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CATEGORY	FY06		
	Requested	Granted	% Awarded of Requested
DEDICATED GRANT PROGRAM			
# Vehicles	45	14	31%
# Agencies	41	14	34%
\$ Vehicles	\$3,585,319	\$1,010,729	28%
# Equipment Items	240	147	61%
# Agencies	64	54	84%
\$ Equipment	\$534,121	\$294,720	55%
TOTAL # ITEMS	285	161	56%
TOTAL # AGENCIES	105	68	65%
TOTAL \$	\$4,119,440	\$1,305,449	32%

Dedicated Grant Vehicle Awards 2006

Total funds allocated = \$1,010,729



EMSAC sub-committee, task force and advisory committee reports

AIR MEDICAL UTILIZATION Task Force

The task force decided not to include clinical criteria. The EMS Bureau is continuing with rule making. Other states are interested in our standards for communications and landing zone safety.

DISCIPLINARY

A complaint was reviewed from the daughter of a patient enrolled in the DNR program that went into cardiac arrest and was actively resuscitated. Further investigation is pending.

A complaint regarding misuse of an EMS grant funded vehicle was discussed. Further investigation of the agency involved is being initiated.

LICENSURE

- **Bonner County Initial ALS Transport:**
Recommendation for approval of application request contingent upon protocol review by Regional Consultant, staffing schedule and deployment plan.
- **Leadore EMT's, Upgrade from BLS Transport to ILS Transport:**
Recommendation for approval of application pend-

ing certification of adequate personnel.

- **Westside Fire, Upgrade from BLS nonTransport to ILS Transport:**

Recommendation for approval contingent addition of DNR, Safe Haven and ALS request protocols, and review of staffing/deployment plans.

- **Moscow Fire Department ALS Non-Transport**

Concept of ALS non-transport license to be pursued, to allow for use of some ALS providers in the community, although not enough for 24/7 staffing. The route to ALS license will continue to be worked out with Moscow and their EMS Regional Consultant.

GRANTS

The Grants Sub-committee reviewed Dedicated Grant applications and developed award policy for the 2006 cycle. Much of the award policy developed over the past few years was reapplied including complete accurate budgets and call volumes. They identified what will not be funded including: individual items for more people than are on the agency personnel roster, items beyond the scope of practice and disposable items or cameras.

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Dedicated Grant Recipients

provide airway management, cardiac monitoring and defibrillation, communications, extrication, patient assessment, patient moving, rescue, safety, spinal immobilization, splinting, and vital signs monitoring.

Year	SFY02	SFY03	SFY04	SFY05	SFY06
Grant Requests	\$4.3 mil.	\$3.7 mil.	\$3.2 mil.	\$3.7 mil.	\$4.1 mil
Grants Awarded	\$1.1 mil.	\$0.7 mil.	\$1.2 mil.	\$1.1 mil.	\$1.3 mil.
Vehicle Requests	54	39	34	49	45
Vehicles Awarded	16	9	14	14	14
Patient Care Equipment					
Agencies Applying	85	70	74	82	64
Agencies Awarded	53	33	52	51	54

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